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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

An office action was mailed on July 12, 2004 in connection with the subject application. The office action provided a period of three months for filing a response. Applicants are concurrently petitioning for a one-month extension of time, extending the deadline for filing a response to November 12, 2004. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed within the extended period.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.